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SUBJECT: FURTHER REACTION TO COUP IN CHILE

1. SUMMARY: GOA APPARENTLY HAS AS YET MADE NO DECISION ON RECOGNITION. CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION LAST NIGHT CALLS ON EXECUTIVE BRANCH NOT RPT NOT TO RECOGNIZE NEW GOC. IN FINAL ANALYSIS, HOWEVER, IT IS SO PATENTLY IN ARGENTINA'S INTEREST TO DO SO, THAT WE FULLY EXPECT GOA TO RECOGNIZE WITHOUT GREAT DELAY. DEMONSTRATIONS HERE ARE CONTINUING BUT ARE DECLINING IN INTENSITY. END SUMMARY.

2. GOA HAS DECREED THREE DAY PERIOD OF MOURNING FOR PRESIDENT ALLENDE BEGINNING THIS MORNING. SENATE LAST NIGHT PASSED RESOLUTION EXPRESSING "PROFOUND CONCERN" OVER RUPTURE OF CONSTITUTIONAL PROCESSES IN CHILE. CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES, AFTER STORMY
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SESSION DURING WHICH MANY DEPUTIES WALKED OUT, PASSED RESOLU-

TION CALLING ON EXECUTIVE BRANCH NOT TO RECOGNIZE "PUPPET GOVT" OF CHILE AND TO WITHDRAW ARGENTINE EMBASSY.

3. COOLER HEADS WILL PROBABLY PREVAIL ON ISSUE OF RECOGNITION. LA OPINION THIS MORNING REPORTS COMMENT OF SOURCE IN FOREIGN MINISTRY TO EFFECT THAT THE MORE ANTAGONISTIC THE ARGENTINE ATTITUDE TOWARD THE NEW GOC, THE GREATER WILL BE TENDENCY OF THAT GOVT TO MOVE TOWARDS BRAZIL.

4. ONLY OFFICIAL COMMENT OF FOREIGN MINISTRY SO FAR IS THAT SITUATION IN CHILE REMAINS TOO CONFUSED TO PERMIT CLEAR ANALYSIS OR CONCLUSIONS. PRESS REPORTS NEW GOC YESTERDAY OFFICIALLY INFORMED ARGENTINE EMBASSY IN SANTIAGO IT HAD ASSUMED AUTHORITY. BECAUSE OF COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS, HOWEVER, AS OF LAST NIGHT EMBASSY HAD BEEN UNABLE TRANSMIT THAT NOTIFICATION TO BUENOS AIRES. GOA DOUBTLESS WILL TAKE NO ACTION UNTIL IT HAS HAD OPPORTUNITY STUDY IT.

5. DEMONSTRATIONS IN FAVOR CHILE AND AGAINSE "IMPERIALISM" CONTINUED LAST NIGHT BUT DROPPED OFF IN SIZE AND FERVOR. REPORTEDLY, ONLY SOME 5,000 TOOK PART.

6. THREE CHILEANS, JUAN ENRIQUE VEGA, OCTAVIO GONZALEZ AND JORGE ARRATE, HELD PRESS CONFERENCE LAST NIGHT TO ANNOUNCE FORMATION OF CHILEAN PATRIOTIC FRONT IN ARGENTINA. THEY INSISTED THAT POPULAR GOVT WAS STILL HOLDING OUT IN CHILE AND THAT IT WAS DUTY OF ALL POPULAR FORCES TO SUPPORT IT.
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